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## Dear Prospective Applicant:

The Stanislaus National Forest is soliciting proposals from interested parties for a concession campground Special Use Permit (SUP). A permit or permits to provide high-quality public service in the operation and maintenance of government-owned recreation facilities, located on the Stanislaus National Forest, will be issued. One selected applicant will be issued a SUP for the Big Meadows Complex developed sites on the Calaveras Ranger District. One selected applicant will be issued a SUP for the Lake Alpine Complex developed sites on the Calaveras Ranger District. The same applicant could be selected for both offerings. A SUP would be issued approximately January 2013 with the intention of having the successful applicant start operation during 2013 season.

All prospective applicants are advised to read the enclosed prospectus carefully. All applicants must submit a written application for one or both permit areas offered in this prospectus. The written proposal must include the information listed under section IV Application. Applicants must submit six (6) complete copies of their application package and supporting documents. Applications must be in sealed envelopes and must be signed by an authorizing officer of the organization or individual submitting the application. Applications must be received by the close of business (4:30 p.m. PST) on Monday September, 17, 2012. Mail completed proposals to:

Forest Supervisor Stanislaus National Forest Attention: Leah Phillips 19777 Greenley Road Sonora, CA 95370

Applications submitted in response to this prospectus are subject to cost recovery pursuant to 36 CFR 251.58(c)(1)(ii) and (c)(3)(iii). Applicants must submit a processing fee of \$100.00 for Permit Area 1, Big Meadows Complex, Calaveras Ranger District; applicants must submit a processing fee of \$100.00 for Permit Area 2, Lake Alpine Complex, Calaveras Ranger District to cover the cost of the prospectus and review of the application. Payments due the United States for this application must be paid in the form of a bank draft, money order, or cashier's check payable to the USDA-Forest Service. Payment should be enclosed in the application package.

Additionally, the selected applicant will be responsible for the costs of preparing and issuing the permit and conducting a financial ability determination (FAD), unless the Forest Service has conducted a FAD for the applicant within the past year. If a FAD has been completed for the applicant within the last 12 months, the applicant will be responsible for the cost of adjusting it to reflect any change this selection will have on the applicant's financial ability.



The prospectus is also available on the internet at <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/stanislaus/passes-permits">http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/stanislaus/passes-permits</a>

Thank you for your interest in the Stanislaus National Forest.

Sincerely,

/s/ Susan Skalski

SUSAN SKALSKI Forest Supervisor